

**Mayor and City Council Update
August 18, 2017**



To: Mayor and Council
From: Administration
CC: Department Heads

Community Development

Weekly Inspections

Type	Number	# of Sites
All	196	83

New Businesses

Name	Location	Home/Commercial	Description
Half Hair Studio	2857 Elmwood Dr	C	Beauty Salon
Fiducia Financial Group	1262 Concord Rd	C	Retail Trade – Other
Fiducia Financial Services	1262 Concord Rd	C	Tax Preparation
Bright Concept Service Group	5000 Highlands Pkwy	C	Management Consulting
Dr. Kimberly Richards MD PC	3734 Highlands Pkwy	C	Physician
Natural Flo Wellness	1106 S Cobb Dr	C	Misc Health Services
More Space Place	1600 Roswell St	C	Specialty Trade Construction
Southern Oak Builders	1184 Love Street	C	Specialty Trade Construction
Fresh Start Recovery Center	3634 Highlands Pkwy	C	Misc Health Services
AWC Home Care	2220 Atlanta Rd	C	Home Care
Minuteman Press of Smyrna	821 Concord Rd	C	Commercial Printing
Patrick Family Dental Care	4480 N Cooper Lake	C	Dentist

Permits

Type	#	Estimated Cost of Construction	Location
Building – New/Residential	2	\$435,017	1479 Mimosa Circle and Village of Belmont
Building – Remodel/Residential	18	\$319,000	Roof – 10; Remodel – 2; Addition – 4; Demo – 2
Building – Remodel/Commercial	5	\$1,553,856	642 Concord Road (Fire Station #2) 810 Church St (Seventh Adventist Church) Demos – 2821 S Cobb Dr, 751 & 629 Windy Hill Rd (for Blvd project)
Plumbing	8		
HVAC	4		
Electrical	3		
Grading	1	\$415,000	2761 Woodland Terrace (Woodland Parc)

Updated Commercial Database

	Total Square Feet	Vacant Square Feet	Vacancy Rate
Total Office	2,298,772	190,881	8%
Total Industrial	4,439,449	289,474	7%
Total Office & Industrial	6,648,221	480,355	7%
Total Shopping Center	2,983,898	248,763	8%
Total Stand-Alone	583,226	38,255	7%
Total Retail	3,567,164	287,018	8%
Grand Total Buildings	10,215,385	767,373	8%

Police Department

- Number of Calls for Service – 1,383
- Training Hours – 160
- Accomplishments – Major Jon Carter graduated from the Northwestern University Law Enforcement Command and Leadership course. This is a college level 13 week course.

Fire Department

- Calls for Service – Fire – 2; Medical – 77; Other – 47
- Accomplishments
 - Chief Acree is graduating this week from the National Emergency Management Advanced Academy. The Academy is designed for Emergency Management mid-level managers with a minimum of three (3) years-experience in an Emergency Management position.
 - SFD's Engineer Benjie Eargle competed in the 2017 World Police and Fire Games this past week. He represented Smyrna Fire and his country in the Stair Climb event.

Public Works

- Spring Road Improvements – Baldwin Paving worked on a few punch list items this week.
- Windy Hill Boulevard Project – Demolition is complete at 751 and 629 Windy Hill Road. The asbestos survey was completed at 2390 Beaver Creek Road. Results should be in next week, and then we will begin receiving quotes on abatement and demolition.
- Glendale Place – A preliminary landscape plan and cost estimate for the landscaping along the roadway was submitted this week and is under review.
- Fire Station 2 – The building contractor is set to mobilize on August 21st.
- Crew Work – Staff assisted Parks staff in mulching the playground at Cobb Park. Landscape and asphalt work orders were also addressed this week. Staff also restriped the Market Village.
- Street Paving – The contractor was able to repave only one street, Timberland Street, due to mechanical failure with their milling equipment. McCauley should be repaved next week.
- South Cobb Drive HAWK Signal – The contractor installed conduit from the shoulder of the road to the center of the road for communication signaling.
- Church Street Storm Sewer Replacement – Storm drain boxes and piping were delivered to the project site this week.
- Pretty Branch to Lee Street Sewer Replacement – The contractor worked on finish landscaping and the project was walked to develop a punch list.
- Sub Basin 3 Sanitary Sewer Outfall – Still under easement acquisitions and design.
- Sewer Replacement at S. Cobb at Floyd – Continued to work with GDOT this week in order to secure a permit to cross the roadway.
- Projects Out For Design – Sub Basin 3 Sanitary Sewer Outfall, Pat Mell Road Storm Sewer, Lake Court Park Storm Sewer, Sewer replacement on McCauley Rd, Water main replacement at South Cobb between Bank and Church Streets

Parks and Recreation

- Facility Rentals – Community Center – 36, Brawner Hall – 11, Taylor-Brawner House – 2, Welcome Center – 2, Fields – 10, Pavilions – 6
- The Tapestry – The next issue of *The Tapestry* is in for Fall/Winter programming.
- Parks Master Plan – Master Plan meetings and interviews were held on August 14th and August 15th which included department heads, Councilmembers, Parks Commission representatives, staff, and a myriad of selected business owners, citizens, and sports league coordinators.
- Various Projects – Staff is working on increasing baby changing stations in city restroom facilities. Also working on a dedicated time for special needs persons to use the Wolfe Center therapy pool.

Keep Smyrna Beautiful

- Free Shredding Event – The next shredding event is scheduled for September 23rd, from 9:00am – 12:00pm at the Wolfe Center. We get lots of calls about this, so please help get the word out!
- Work Glove Luncheon – The annual appreciation luncheon for our incredible staff who work outdoors is scheduled for September 27th at 11:00am at the Community Center.

Library

- Smyrna Reads – The Library's annual community-wide reading project will focus on the culinary history of the south. We will promote regional cookbooks and the many food-centered community events that take place in September. Publicity will start at the end of August, and the Kick-Off event for "Smyrna Reads / Smyrna Eats!" is Sunday, September 10th, at 3:00pm with a lecture on southern food by Terri Carter. See details at www.smyrnareads.com.
- Library of Things – As part of the "Smyrna Reads / Smyrna Eats!" campaign, the Library will launch a Baking Pan collection on September 1st. Patrons will be able to check out one pan at a time for one week (with one week renewal). There will be about 25 pans to choose from. This collection is an expansion of the library's inclusion of non-traditional media collections such as the puzzles, the museum passes, and the Maker Boxes.